



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 6981

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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY PUBLIC HEALTH PREVENTION EFFORTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force
2 to study public health prevention efforts. The task force shall examine
3 and make recommendations for improvements to (1) public school
4 curriculum that facilitate disease prevention, (2) insurance coverage for
5 prescribed preventive measures, including, but not limited to, health
6 assessments, treatments, health care services and any equipment
7 required to administer such preventive measures, and (3) incentives
8 for the implementation of proven environmental protection systems.

9 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

10 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,
11 one of whom has expertise in the public school curriculum;

12 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one
13 of whom has expertise in disease prevention;

14 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
15 Representatives, who has experience in insurance coverage for
16 preventive measures;

17 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who has
18 experience in environmental protection systems;

19 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
20 Representatives;

21 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;

22 (7) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's
23 designee; and

24 (8) The Insurance Commissioner, or the commissioner's designee.

25 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
26 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
27 of the General Assembly.

28 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than
29 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
30 filled by the appointing authority.

31 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president
32 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force
33 from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall
34 schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not
35 later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

36 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
37 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
38 health shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

39 (g) Not later than July 1, 2018, the task force shall submit a report on
40 its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of
41 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
42 health, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
43 general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it
44 submits such report or July 1, 2018, whichever is earlier.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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PH *Joint Favorable Subst.*